

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT
TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE

Date: 8/28/12

Applying For: Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)

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Place an "X" next to the HSOC membership category below which you wish to represent:

- ☐ County Government Service Providers (Behavioral Health, Planning, Social Services, Veterans Services, or Probation)
- ☐ Non-profit Service Providers
- ☐ Which area(s) of the county does this organization serve? _____
- ☐ Affordable Housing Developers
- ☐ Local Businesses/Business Organizations
- ☐ Law Enforcement
- ☒ Local Academic Institution
- ☐ Local Health Provider
- ☐ Local Faith Community
- ☐ Interested Community (preferentially with homelessness experience)

Please cite your affiliation, as staff member, board member or volunteer, with any community services agency or organization:

I currently work for Cuesta College as a Youth Programs Supervisor.
I oversee multiple programs targeted at the transitional age youth (TAY)
population connecting them to both academics and the world of work.
I also volunteer on the Board of the FSS component for the SLO Housing
Authority.

Please describe how you qualify for the HSOC category which you have selected above:

As I mentioned above, I supervise programs for Cuesta College
that link young adults that are high school dropouts to resources
allowing them the attainment of their GED or diploma. One of
the eligibility requirements for the Youth Employment Program
is being homeless. We recently opened a Youth One Stop center which
is affiliated with the Business and Career One Stops of SLO County.
Each day we are seeing more and more young people that are
homeless and use of our services to help them find jobs.

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While not necessarily required, knowledge of issues relating to homelessness and/or previous involvement in addressing homelessness are desirable for HSOC members and will be considered by the selection committee prior to making its recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Please summarize your experience with the issue of homelessness or with homeless clients:

For the last four years I have overseen programs that work with homeless, foster, and probation youth. We are continually providing supportive services to this population, as well as, hoping to create and find solutions to assist them in becoming self-sufficient.

Please explain why you would like to serve on the HSOC (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

As homelessness becomes more apparent in SLO County, it is time that we collectively work together to brainstorm ways to assist this population. So often we are fixing problems with temporary solutions. I would feel honored to be a part of a team that leads to creative solutions. My background is in social work and restorative justice. I feel passionate about the work I do and believe I can be ~~an~~ ^{make} active contributions. We are fortunate to live in a County that has the opportunity to pilot projects, plan, connect individuals to their basic needs, and build purpose. Please note: It is possible that the selection committee may contact you to ask for additional information if necessary to prepare its recommendations for HSOC membership to the Board of Supervisors. ^{through} ^{productive} group decision-making.

If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings of subcommittees? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Signed *Jennifer Kim* Date 8/28/12

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Date called/interviewed _____ Recommended for appointment? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Appointee prefers not to have address or phone numbers(s) published? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Additional Comments: